SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 296 By Black

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Amanda J. Crider, 2005 Salutatorian of Gallatin High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Amanda J. Crider is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Gallatin High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Amanda Crider has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Amanda Crider has earned an exemplary 5.5 grade point average along with a stellar ACT score; and

WHEREAS, Amanda has performed brilliantly in her Advanced Placement classes, including United States History, Calculus, and Government; and

WHEREAS, not content to limit her talents solely to the classroom, Amanda has excelled as an Academic Team member, a Science Olympiad Team member, a Model United Nations participant, and a National Honor Society member; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, she has been honored by selection as a Delegate to the Governor's School for International Studies at the University of Memphis, a Delegate to Volunteer Girls State, and she won the Fourth Place Medal at the Regional Science Olympiad; she has also served with distinction as the President of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young woman has proven to be an exceptional leader through her participation in many church events and activities, including service as the Christian Council on Youth Ministries Secretary and as a member of the Bethpage Awesome Christian

Theater and Stage, as a Bethpage CrossRoads member, as a Youth Member of the Bethpage Administrative Council, as a Wednesday Night Teacher at Bethpage United Methodist Church, and as a Vacation Bible School Teacher; and

WHEREAS, Amanda has served with distinction as a guide for the Gallatin Cemetery

Tour and still finds time to work as a cashier at Tennessee Hardware and Farm Supply; and

WHEREAS, Amanda's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Crider's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Amanda's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Gallatin High School Salutatorian, Amanda J. Crider, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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